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In re the Application of:

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For:

ABNORMALITY DETECTION DEVICE FOR DETECTING AN ABNORMALITY IN A

COMMUNICATION BUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on March 22, 2005. A Petition for a two-month (second and third month) extension of time and an RCE, together with the requisite fees for same, are submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to June 22, 2005. A Petition for a onemonth extension of time was previously filed. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.